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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549



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#### REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

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### Schroder Ventures International Investment Trust plc

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# SCHRODER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST PLC ("SVIIT") RECAPITALISATION OF HOMEBASE

Funds in which SVIIT invests have today announced a re-capitalisation of Homebase.

Homebase, the UK "DIY" chain, has performed ahead of budget and expectations since acquisition in March 2001. As a result, the company has generated significant cash balances, which have afforded Homebase the opportunity to re-capitalise. As a result, funds advised by Permira have been able to return the majority of the cost of the acquisition to investors.

Accordingly, SVIIT WIII receive approximately £14 million from this re-capitalisation. The valuation of Homebase, which was written up on a P/E basis from a cost of £20 million to £30.5 million at 31 December 2001 remains the same. Adjusting for this return of capital, the value of SVIIT's holding in Homebase is approximately £16.5 million, against an attributable cost of £6 million.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

SCHRODER VENTURES INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT TRUST PLC

Date: 3 April 2002

For and on behalf of Schroder Investment

Management Limited, Secretaries